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Through mock accident demonstration

## Students watch tragedy unfold

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Elba High School juniors and seniors got more than they really expected last Wednesday morning, March 29, when they attended an annual "prom promise" assembly.

In year's past, the assembly has allowed emergency personnel to speak to students regarding the dangers of drinking and driving before students sign a "prom promise" pledging not to drink and drive during prom activities. The request remained the same this year, but the message was much stronger.

Instead of the routine talk and promise, the juniors and seniors were hit head-on with a very realistic demonstration of a mock accident.

The scene was set for the audience through the playing of an audio recording. As the sound of screeching tires filled the air, student participants uncovered two wrecked vehicles revealing some of their fellow classmates as accident victims.

The mood of the student audience seemed rather upbeat at this point as some chuckles could be heard; however, that mood quickly changed as emergency personnel began responding to the scene.

Officers from the Elba Police

Department were the first to respond after the accident was reported. They quickly began assessing the situation and found injuries ranging from minor to life threatening.

Coffee County EMS and the Elba Fire Department also responded to the scene of the accident. All emergency personnel worked together to remove the victims from the vehicles and administer the necessary treatments.

Two victims of the mock accident died at the scene, and Coffee County Coroner Marvin McLwain responded.

As the demonstration continued to unfold, the audience seemingly got quieter and quieter with the mood becoming very solemn. The appearance of some students became teary-eyed as they watched their fel-

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ELBA HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS AND SENIORS became very engrossed as they watched the events of the mock accident unfold before them last Wednesday morning. Many of the students' expressions drastically changed as they watched the very realistic portrayals of the emergency personnel and victims.

## Carnegie Hero Fund Commission cites two local men for heroism

In its first award announcement of 2006, the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission recently named 20 individuals as recipients of the Carnegie Medal.

The medal is given throughout the United States and Canada to those who risk their lives to an extraordinary degree while saving or attempting to save the lives of others.

One of the awardees, Leslie Joseph Stanowski died in the performance of his act. Stanowski, 51, of North Las Vegas, Nev., was felled by a gunman on April 1, 2004, when

he attempted to restrain the man, who was shooting at a bartender in a Las Vegas casino.

Two Elba residents were among those cited by the Commission. Wesley E. DeVane and Johnny P. Senn, both of Elba,

rescued Justin A. Wilks from burning Nov. 12, 2004 in Spring Hill, Ala.

Semiconscious, Wilks, age 21, was trapped in the driver's seat of a burning pickup truck after a highway accident at night. Traveling together on the same road, DeVane, age 40, transportation supervisor, and a friend, Senn, age 39, an off-duty state trooper, responded to the scene.

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A PICTURE WORTH A THOUSAND WORDS...The mock accident demonstration ended on a very solemn note last Wednesday morning, March 29, as the student audience and emergency personnel watched a hearse leave the scene with a deceased victim aboard. The purpose of the demonstration was to help students better understand the consequences of driving drunk and recklessly, and event coordinators tried to cover every angle of a tragic accident with this demonstration. School Resource Officer Dean Blair and Coffee County Coroner Marvin McLwain are shown watching the hearse leave the scene. Additional scenes from the mock accident can be found on Page 13 of today's paper.

During New Brockton Town Council meeting

## Police Chief's report reflects busy month for department

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The New Brockton Town Council conducted a very routine meeting Monday evening, April 3, with the police report drawing the most attention.

Citations included: two for driving under the influence, seven for speeding, four for a revoked driver's license, three for violation of the seat belt law, five for violation of the insurance law, one for improper passing and five for no insurance.

Grimes said the town often receives complaints that the police department is giving everyone they stop a pay ticket; therefore, in an attempt to prove otherwise, he also presented a report on written warnings issued during the month of March. With these warnings, he said the offender does not pay anything nor does the offense go against his/her driving record. It is simply a warning.

During the month, Grimes said the department issued the 106 written warnings to include: 41 for speeding, 12 for no insurance, five for no driver's

license, two for running a stop sign, one for a suspended driver's license, two for improper headlights, two for driving on the wrong side of the road, one for no tag, one for an expired tag, one for improper lane use, four for seat belt violation and 34 for defective equipment violation.

Mayor Charles Cole said the majority of (pay) tickets written by the department seem to be to violators well over the legal speed limit; however, he cautioned that a motorist only a few miles over the speed limit is still breaking the law.

Council member Vicky Harrison said it seemed like officers had someone stopped every time she was out last week, and she seemed concerned about the numbers.

Grimes said the reasoning behind the ticket/warning comparison was to again assure everyone that officers are not writing every violator a pay citation, but speeding and other violations continue to be a problem.

Mayor Cole encouraged

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## Lance Tindol announces candidacy for Office of Sheriff

A sheriff's department and county jail that will not only make the citizens of Coffee County proud but will also be respected statewide; that is the goal Lance Tindol says he aspires to achieve as the next Sheriff of Coffee County.

Tindol announced this week that he will seek the Democratic nomination for Coffee County Sheriff in the June 6 primary.

Tindol said he believes his experience in law enforcement

and his dedication to the citizens of Coffee County will enable him to create a sheriff's department and county jail that all of Coffee County can take pride in.

The 35-year-old life-long resident of Elba High School, graduate of Elba High School, attended Enterprise State Junior College and graduated from the Alabama Police Academy, Selma, Ala., in November 1999.

He began his law enforcement career in 1998 as a patrol officer with the Elba Police Department.

Tindol accepted a position as a judicial assistant with the State of Alabama in 2000. In this position he served as assistant for the District and Circuit Courts of Coffee County.

Tindol was hired by the Coffee County Sheriff's Department in

October 2001. During his career with the sheriff's department, Tindol has served in the position of deputy sheriff and sergeant.

Tindol feels his experience in city and county law enforcement and the judicial system of Coffee County make him the most experienced candidate for the office of Sheriff.

Throughout his career, Tindol has attended numerous professional development courses to include narcotic

interdiction, crime scene investigation and preservation, counterdrug aviation operations, criminal interdiction and officer safety, supervision, prosecution of DUI cases, chemical weapons, field sobriety testing, courthouse safety and methamphetamine laboratory cleanup and processing.

If elected Sheriff, Tindol said he plans to focus on many areas of the sheriff's department and county jail in order to achieve his ultimate goal of creating a sheriff's department and county

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Those on hand for the check presentation included: (front row) Phil and June Hamm, Janice Hudson, Nell Gilmer and Jill Dunn; (back row) Tellis Hudson, Edward Wilks, Ralph Crocker, Floyd Griffin, Peggy Cain, Donald Hudson and Betty Lewis. Not pictured: Peggy Gullion.

REMINDER  
Chapter Two of "Taking the Train" is located on Page 12 of today's paper.

## Area Happenings

THE COFFEE COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY has announced that qualifying for election year 2006 is underway and will continue up until Friday, April 7, at 3 p.m. Anyone interested in qualifying as a Democrat for any of the upcoming elections may contact Eddie Vaughan at (334) 897-2273, ext. 209 or (334) 897-0395 anytime.

THE ELBA PUBLIC LIBRARY will be open on Saturdays from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. beginning Saturday, April 8.

COFFEE COUNTY EDUCATION RETIREES' ASSOCIATION will meet Tuesday, April 11, at 11 a.m. in New Brockton at the Coffee County Farm Center Community Room. Enterprise Police Officer Cindy Dunsen will present the program, Protecting Yourself: 2006/2008 officers will be installed. Members should call Sylvia Padgett (897-5324) or Judy Killingsworth (897-6974) to make reservations for the meal. This will be the last meeting until September.

## EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS  
With Ferrin Cox

An internet news site recently carried an alarming interview with Abu Jandal, reportedly a 33 year old former personal bodyguard of bin Laden in Afghanistan from 1996 to 2000. This man, the father of three children, so strongly believed (and still believes) in what they were doing that he is quoted as making the following statement: "Frankly, I hope that my son gets killed and becomes a martyr for the sake of God Almighty." Other comments from that interview indicate his "sake of God Almighty" differs a whole bunch from that of most of us in Elba, Alabama. Folks, we are a flag waving American and also the father of three children, but don't wish for either of our sons to even get hurt . . . for any reason. We wish for them a long and happy life and they leave this world a little better than it was when they came into it. Our idea of that is definitely not to try to kill everyone who might believe differently than we do.

Comments from Elba High School students following the mock accident presentation last week was that it was so realistic it really got them thinking . . . in fact one could say it was sobering. That is exactly the message organizers had told us they wanted to convey. Job well done.

The Alabama legislature is getting close to the end of this 2006 regular session. We of course disagree a bit with some of the bills passed, but that is normal. As of today nothing has passed that we would classify as "the end of the world." In fact they have discarded a number of bills that needed discarding . . . badly. Cross your fingers that we will all be able to sigh a real sigh of relief once they adjourn the final day of the session.

It is almost time for us to take a ride up Highway 125 towards Brundridge. Reports are that the resurfacing work is progressing nicely. Our plan is to get a good ride on the new asphalt before it gets cut up for some utility work and/or a weak, damp overcast causes potholes in the highway. We might even ride up and down several times . . . if gasoline prices will stop rising!

The monthly rainfall report from Choctawhatchee, Pea and Yellow Rivers Watershed Management Authority . . . gosh that is a long name . . . confirms the need for rain in this area. Of the 17 sites where they monitor the rainfall, from near Eufaula to Covington County, only four compared or surpassed the amount of rainfall received last year. Most were several inches below the previous year. The Elba gauge recorded five and a half fewer inches in the first three months of the year. Folsom Bridge (on Hwy 125) did the same. Big Creek was down even more while the Arton gauge was about normal. March was the real deal maker. The Elba gauge was down seven inches in March alone. New Brundage was down over eight inches and most others were down four to six inches for the month. Much more of this will spell disaster for crops and lawns.

## Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, Mar. 27, 2006, investigated the following incidents: one theft of property, two for harassing communications, one driving under the influence, one possession of a controlled substance, one public intoxication, one criminal mischief, one harassment, two for burglary and one domestic violence.

The following arrests were made: one for driving under the influence, one for possession of a controlled substance and one for public intoxication. Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: two for driving without first obtaining a driver's license, one for no insurance, three for not wearing a seat belt, four for speeding, one for no proof of insurance, two for a suspended driver's license, one for running a stop sign and three for a vehicle ordinance violation.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows: MONDAY, MAR. 27 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 26387 Hwy. 189 (8:30 a.m.).

TUESDAY, MAR. 28 - Report of shots fired at the Mulberry Park (4:55 p.m.); Disturbance (noise) reported on Jackson St. (6:05 p.m.); Possible fire reported on Hwy. 189 N. (9:25 p.m.); Disturbance (unruly customer) reported at Mr. Henry's (9:40 p.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 609 Pine Cove (10:12 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 29 - Coffee County EMS dispatched

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Members of Senior Girl Scout Troop #300 had a great time reading about themselves in the March issue of "Southern Lady" magazine which featured an article about the troop's Spring Tea 2005. "Southern Lady" editors sent each girl scout a complimentary copy of the magazine. The girls are now preparing for the Sunday, April 9, Spring Tea which will be held at The Olde South Inn in the house formally owned by the Adkinsons. Girl scouts shown above with their magazine include: Ashley Camley, Tori Brooks, Gale Olson, Kendall Stinson, Shawanna Wright, Andrea Bond, Kayla Kelley, Kayla Homyak, Whitney Anderson, Elena McCormick, Ashleigh Waddall, Megan Sullivan, Gabby Pope, Kim Blue, Kelly Corder, Brandi Summerlin, Shelby Adeock, Robyn Hudson, Mandy Blackmon, Shelby Brunson, Sydney Brunson, Melanie Mulaz, Anna Petty, Maisie Thomas, Tiffany Johnson, Meredith Brunson, Brittany Davis, Lauren McClung, Corbin Lee, Ashley Bailey, Amber Hudson, Brandi Talley, Whitney Bailey, Amanda Pope, Gucci Hudson, Kiera Robertson, Rachel Morrow, Brandy Caldwell and Kynu Coleman.

## ALERT

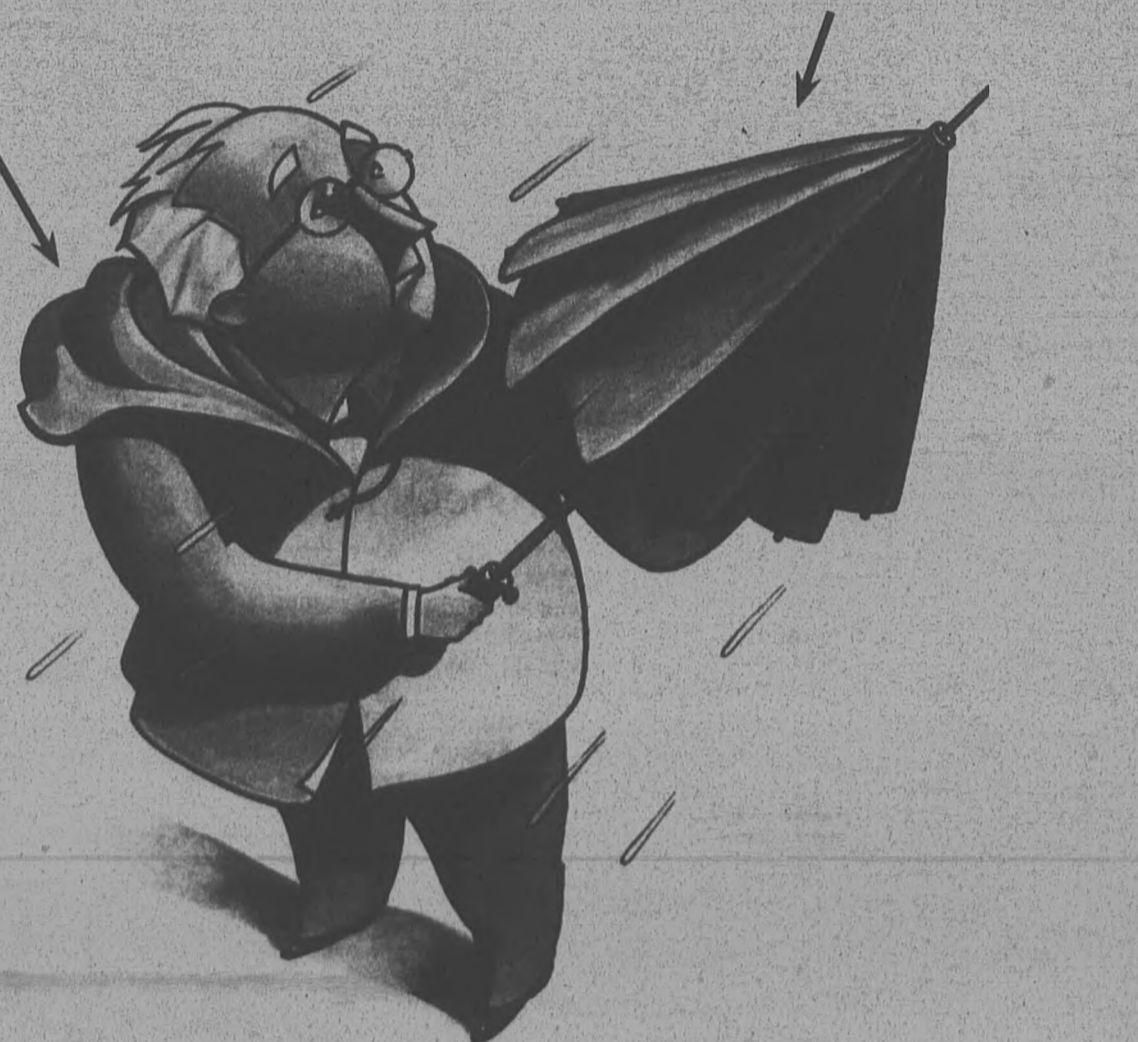
Elba General Hospital and Nursing Home has placed into effect a visitor restriction. There will be no routine visiting of residents until further notice. Due to the widespread cases of flu, pneumonia and respiratory infections in the community, visitation is being restricted. All visitors must report to the nurse's station for further instruction.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the Elba City Board of Education, thank you for all you do for all of us! Sincerely,  
Danny W. Weeks

To whom it may concern:  
We hear of elder abuse in the news more times than we can count. But it hits home when it is our own family that is being abused. Abuse comes in many forms, the abuse I speak of today is when you take away things that they strive daily to live for. As people get older their individual needs change. Our bodies don't hold out forever like we wish they did.

My husband's grandmother came to live with us after hurricane Ivan about two years ago. At that time she was able to fix herself something to eat, daily hygiene, and get about pretty well with a walker being that she is paralyzed on her right side from a car accident she was in back in the 1950's.

She has had to deal with being disabled for most of her adult life. Her strive for life at the time was being able to go to church and attend the Zion Chapel senior citizen center two days a week to visit with friends and socialize. She had been attending the senior center for about as long as it has been open.

When she lived in her own home, someone from the center would come pick her up and bring her back home. After she moved in with us, she continued to go to the center on a regular basis. Since she has lived with

us, she has had a stroke in her left eye of which was her only good eye. She now has little vision in that eye. The doctors tell us there is nothing they can do for her eye; there is just simply too much damage. Also, she is now a patient of southern care hospice.

Being handicapped from her accident, many years ago and losing her eyesight has put a real strain on her strive for life. But going to the senior center is something she has always looked forward to. She would always be ready and waiting for the driver to pick her up.

All this came to an end a few weeks ago. On March 7th, Mrs. Jodi Millette, director for the center, called her and asked if she was coming that day. She told her yes that she was already ready to come.

My husband's grandmother had lost her balance and almost fell the Friday before attempting to get into the van to come home. Mrs. Millette said that she just wanted to make sure she

was coming. My grandmother-in-law went to the center that day, and before it was time to bring her home, Mrs. Millette told her that she was no longer going to be able to come unless my husband and I provided the transportation for her. That being that she was a fall risk, it was too much of a risk for the driver to handle.

I believe this conversation should have been handled in a more professional manner. Mrs. Millette discussed this in front of other members of the center, instead of in private. My husband and I did not receive any phone call or visit from Mrs. Millette concerning this issue.

I personally called Mrs. Millette that same day; she informed me that the center was not equipped with wheelchair accessible transportation. So I made a phone call to Mr. Wilson Mobley. He also stated that there was no wheelchair access.

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## Cards of Thanks

The Waylon Escar Kelley family would like to express its heartfelt thanks for all the beautiful flowers, food, visits and other acts of kindness during the loss of our loved one.

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## FOCUS ON FACTS

## A Radical Autodidact

"I greet you at the beginning of a great career, which yet must have had a long foreground somewhere for such a start."

Ralph Waldo Emerson to Walt Whitman July 21, 1855

When Walt Whitman received this letter from America's greatest man of letters praising his first published volume of poetry "Leaves of Grass," vindicated the Herculean effort the thirty-six year old New Yorker had invested in its creation. Published at the halfway point in his life Whitman had, as Emerson astutely observed, "a long foreground somewhere."

Unlike most notable contemporary men of letters, including Longfellow, Emerson, and Thoreau, Walt never benefited from a classical university education. He was the son of a carpenter and finished his schooling at the age of eleven. After that, he was self-taught (an autodidact).

Walt was born on Long Island on May 31, 1819, the second of nine children. When he was four, the family moved to Brooklyn, across the Hudson River from Manhattan. After leaving school, he worked as an office boy for a group of Brooklyn lawyers. Part of his compensation was a subscription to a circulating library. This marked the beginning of his self-education.

After a year, he accepted a position as a printer's apprentice with a newspaper, giving the twelve year old an opportunity to launch his writing career. Five years later, the teenager was a journeyman printer who also wrote articles for the newspaper. In his spare time, he was a faithful figure in local libraries voraciously devouring works covering his broad range of interests that included literature, history, geography, and theater.

At seventeen, Walt lost his job when two disastrous fires struck Brooklyn, wiping out much of the business district and its largest printers. His family had returned to Long Island three years earlier, and with no other prospects, he joined them there. To escape becoming a farmer, he became a teacher, working in small towns across Long Island.

After five years, Walt concluded that his personality wasn't suited to teaching, so he left and returned to New York City to become a writer. He was twenty-one, and for the next ten years, Walt supported himself selling stories and poems, working as a reporter, and editing newspapers in New York and New Orleans.

In the prime of his career, Walt left his editor's job in the fall of 1849. Why? Was it his determination to become a better, or different, poet? Well, never know. We do know that for the next five years he ran a bookstore, doing job printing and working as a freelance journalist. Nearly six years later, he published "Leaves of Grass," a collection containing the most radical original poetry by an American since the birth of the nation. Find out more about Walt Whitman's life and work. Take the Web Journey.

**THE WEB JOURNEY**

The Walt Whitman Archive  
Funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities, this resource results from a project to "make Whitman's vast work, for the first time, easily and conveniently accessible to scholars, students, and general readers." Co-chaired by Professors Ed Folsom of the University of Iowa and Kenneth Price of the University of Nebraska, it includes a lengthy biography, all of Whitman's published poems, nineteenth and twentieth century criticism, and a selection of photographs. Web Address: <http://tinyurl.com/8c4ft>

Modern American Poetry: Walt Whitman  
This resource is the online companion to the 2000 edition of the book, *Anthology of American Poetry*, published by Oxford University Press. It includes biographical information about Whitman as well as criticism of a number of his poems. Web Address: <http://tinyurl.com/alawc>

Literary Encyclopedia: Walt Whitman  
The Literary Encyclopedia is an online reference work developed by a worldwide group of university scholars. It includes a biography written by Stephen Meats of Pittsburgh State University, links to entries on many of Whitman's contemporaries, and a listing of Whitman's works. Web Address: <http://tinyurl.com/cjg6>

**BEYOND OUR BORDERS**

The southernmost tip of North America is called Cape Horn. Only 400 miles north of Antarctica, sailing around the Cape is one of the world's most dangerous ocean voyages. Ships traveling from the Atlantic Ocean to the Pacific are greeted by mountainous waves that often make the passage from east to west almost impossible. Since its discovery in the early 1600's the waves and weather have defeated many ships, making the area a graveyard for hundreds of sailors.

Find out more about navigating this dangerous body of water at <http://tinyurl.com/m8zmc>

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## Obituaries

**MERLE AGNES WALKER**  
Merle Agnes Walker, age 82, formerly of Elba, Ala., died Thursday, March 30, 2006 at the Enterprise Nursing Home. Funeral services were held April 1, 2006 from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba. Burial followed in Hillcrest Memorial Gardens of Elba with Hayes Funeral Home directing. The family request in lieu of flowers memorial contributions be made to the American Diabetes Foundation or the Alzheimers Research Foundation.

Mrs. Walker was preceded in death by her parents, Ocie Lee and Leann Bryan Smith; husband, Elton O. Walker; and a daughter, Elaine Walker Ellis. Survivors include one daughter: Joann Cutts, Enterprise, Ala., two sons: Larry (wife Gayle) Walker, Enterprise, Warren, E. (wife Carolyn) Walker, Troy, Ala.; six granddaughters: Lisa G. Dye, Enterprise, Tami Miller, Las Vegas, NV, Heather Reaves, Newnan, Ga., Hope Walker, New York, N.Y., Debbie Carmichael, Elba, Karen Ellis Brabham, Enterprise, two grandsons: Larry L. Walker, Virginia Beach, Eric Miller, Houston, Texas; one sister: Sue Ellen Edgar, Highland Springs, Va.; and six great-grandchildren.

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L to R: Mrs. Gery Dye, Mrs. Evelyn Galimore, Mrs. Gwen Mullinax, Miss Bethany Dye-honoree, Mrs. Shirlon Dye, Mrs. Merlene Bailey, Mrs. Yvette Akridge and Mrs. Nettie Akridge

## Miss Bethany Dye honored with miscellaneous bridal shower on March 19th

Miss Bethany Dye, bride-elect of Mr. Gunter Akridge was honored with a miscellaneous shower at the Olde South Inn on Sunday afternoon, March 19, 2006. On either side of the double front doors stood white hurricane lanterns adorned with greenery and spring flowers. Mrs. Kristy Hickman and Mrs. Jana Kelley greeted the guests and directed them to the registry table which held an heirloom sterling vase filled with Gerber daisies, baby's breath, status, and bells of Ireland. The guests were then presented to Miss Bethany Dye, the honoree, Mrs. Shirlon Dye, mother of the honoree, Mrs. Gwen Mullinax, mother of the groom, and Mrs. Yvette Akridge, step-mother of the groom.

In the reception room the guests enjoyed a refreshing fruit punch along with petit fours and dainty party foods. The table was laid with an heirloom ecru lace cloth and featured a massive arrangement in an antique crystal vase of Anna roses in pink, yellow, white, and peach. The house was beautifully decorated throughout with massive arrangements of spring flowers. During the afternoon, guests visited and viewed a wide variety of gifts displayed throughout the elegant Olde South Inn.

Hostesses for the occasion were: Mrs. Ceina Spicer, Mrs. Pam Smith, Mrs. Debbie Rhoades, Mrs. Starla Amison, Mrs. Kim Bane, Mrs. Debra Crosby, Mrs. Nell Johnson, Mrs. Kim Manning, Mrs. Sharon Cowen, Mrs. Mona Wise, Mrs. Jana Kelley, Mrs. Janie Allen, Mrs. Janice Phillips, Mrs. Theresa Kelley, Mrs. Linda Berry, Mrs. Patsy Bane, Mrs. Peggy Stroud, Mrs. Carolyn Kelley, Mrs. Chris Head, Mrs. Kristy Hickman, Mrs. Elaine Bryan, Mrs. Patsy Williams, Mrs. Pam Maddaloni, Mrs. Bobbie Bowers, Mrs. Meli Stinson, Mrs. Ann Spicer, Mrs. Teresa Kirkland, Mrs. Carol Laney, Mrs. Myra Kelley, Mrs. Agnes Wilson, Mrs. Debra Nicholson, Mrs. Pearl Kent, Mrs. Elizabeth Dyess, Mrs. Jenny Allen, Mrs. Anita Grimes, Mrs. Kathy Piland, Mrs. Peggy Storey, Mrs. Doris Matthews, and Mrs. Harriette Boyd.



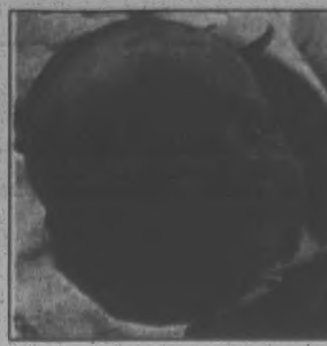
Trayton Flowers

## Trayton Flowers celebrates first birthday recently

Trayton Flowers celebrated his first birthday Saturday, March 25, 2006. He is the son of Robbie and Dana Flowers of Elba, Ala.

## NEW ARRIVAL

JOHANNA PAYGE STAHR



Johanna Payge Stahr

Johanna Payge Stahr was born on Thursday March 2, 2006 at 1:59 pm at Medical Center Enterprise to Ben and Sherry Stahr of Jack Al. She weighed 5 lbs 10 oz and was 18 3/4 inches long. Dr. Pollard assisted in the delivery. She has one brother, Damian Tyler Stahr. Her grandparents are Daryl and Betty Corley of Jack AL, Andrea Honaker of Enterprise AL, and Jürgen Stahr of Pforzheim Germany.



Mildred Williams

## Whitfield awarded UWA academic scholarship

Rashawnda Renee Whitfield of Elba was recently awarded a \$6,000 Trustee Scholarship to attend the University of West Alabama in Livingston. This award, based on academic achievement and proven leadership potential, comes from the UWA Office of Admissions. Admissions Officer Whitfield is a senior at Elba High School.

Since 1835, the University of West Alabama has served the west central Alabama area through educational opportunity, academic research and public outreach. For more information about admission, financial aid and scholarships, contact UWA at admissions@uwa.edu or call 1-888-636-8800.

## Annual Brewton District Conference to be held at Harris Temple COGIC

The Brewton District of the Alabama First Jurisdiction of the Churches of God in Christ, under the leadership of Superintendent W.K. Ellison, will host its Annual Brewton District Conference 2006. The conference will convene on Monday, April 10, 2006 and culminate on Friday, April 14, 2006. Services will be held at the Harris Temple Church of God in Christ, Elba, Alabama and will begin at 7:00 PM nightly.

Conference speakers are: Monday, April 10, 2006 - Superintendent Local Flowers; Tuesday, April 11, 2006 - Superintendent John E. Grayson; Wednesday, April 12, 2006 - Superintendent Terry Ellison; Thursday, April 13, 2006 - Mother Gazell Eboridge, Brewton District Missionary; Friday, April 14, 2006 - Bishop O.L. Meadows, Alabama First Jurisdictional Prelate.

Everyone is invited to come out and be blessed by this mighty move of God.

For more information, contact Missionary Beverly Daniels-Hamilton, Brewton District Secretary, at 334-763-0814 or the Harris Temple Church Office at 334-897-2332.

## Elba Public Library will celebrate National Library Week by holding Book Sale April 10-14

Elba Public Library will celebrate National Library Week by holding a book sale April 10-14 during regular business hours. The Elba Public Library will hold a stamp & scrap workshop on April 8 from 9:00-12:00. Seating is limited to 10. Teens and adults may register. Call 897-6921 to register or for more information. There is a \$5.00 non-refundable registration fee to cover cost of materials.

## C.C. Arts Alliance 32nd Piney Woods Festival to be held

The 32nd Piney Woods Arts Festival will feature original art, crafts, special displays, food and entertainment. This is a juried show, providing monetary awards, and attracts artists from throughout the Southeast. Additionally, art work by Elementary, Junior High, Senior High and college students is featured.

The Children's Fun Center will be provided by local bands and show choir both days. A one-man performance of Romeo and Juliet by Bill Oberst Jr. is the special entertainment for both days.

Members of 15th Alabama Infantry, Confederate States of America and 1st Battalion, 15th U.S. Infantry, Company E, Federal, will be in uniform in a Civil War Living History display.

"Paint My Bug" offers everyone a chance to personalize a VW Beetle with art work. Be sure to stop by and help paint a bug.

Don't miss the 10th Annual Weevil City Cruisers Car and Truck Show on Saturday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Rain date: Sunday, April 9, 2006.

Free Admission: Piney Woods Arts Festival is sponsored by Medical Center Enterprise. This event is held on the grounds of Enterprise-Ozark Community College located on Boll Weevil Circle at Hwy. 167 South. "Romeo and Juliet" is made possible by a grant from the Alabama Arts Education Tag Committee.

## First Baptist Church Youth holding Boston-butt Fundraiser

First Baptist Church Youth is holding a Boston-butt fundraiser. They are selling Boston-butt for \$20.00 each. To place an order, come by the church office Monday - Thursday from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM or on Friday from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

Orders must be placed by Friday, April 7. Boston butts may be picked up on Wednesday, April 12 from 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM at the church. All proceeds are to help fund the youth mission trip to Canada.

**Breadley's Florist & Gift Registry**  
Amanda Calhoun and Clint Martin  
Raeanne McCollough and Donny Day  
Katie Crowe Parrish and Jamie Parrish  
Ashley (Harrison) Arnold & Brandon Arnold  
Bethany Dye & Gunter Akridge  
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# CHURCH NEWS

## PASTOR'S CORNER

Rev. Stanley Carter

Elba United Methodist Church

## The Dogwood Tree..

I love the spring season when all the flowers and trees begin to bloom again. I especially enjoy the beautiful dogwood trees as they adorn the world with their beautiful white or pink flowers. To me, the dogwood tree is a sure sign of spring.

The dogwood tree also reminds me of the crucifixion of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. There is a legend that the dogwood tree once grew tall and straight. It is said that Jesus' cross was made from a dogwood tree and that because of this the dogwood would never grow big enough for a cross to be made from it again.

The dogwood blooms also remind us of a cross. The four-petal arrangement of its flowers reminds us of the cross. The indentation on each flower is also a symbol of the nails driven into our Savior's hands. In the fall, the dogwood tree's leaves turn red to symbolize the blood of Jesus from where our salvation is secured.

As you travel around this spring, take the time to see a dogwood tree. It is only a legend but, indeed, the dogwood tree does remind us of our Lord's love for us at Calvary.

## The "Kings Four Quartet" to be in concert at Mt. Olive Baptist Church April 8th

The "Kings Four" quartet will be in a reunion singing on April 8, 2006 at 7:00 PM at Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Elba, Ala.

Everyone is welcome. There is no admission charge, and refreshments will be served after the singing.

## Revival Services to be begin April 9th at Damascus Baptist Church

Revival services at Damascus Baptist Church will begin Sunday, April 9 at 6 p.m. Services on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday will begin at 7 p.m. Guest speaker will be Reverend Roger Miller, pastor of First Baptist, Elba. There will be special music each evening.

Reverend Hubert McWaters is pastor. The church is located on Coffee County Rd. 547. For more information call 347-2198.

## YWI from Johns Church to present Voices of Praise April 9th

The Young Women's Initiative (YWI) of the Women's Missionary Society of Johns Chapel A.M.E. Church will present the "Voices of Praise" of Enterprise-Ozark Community College in concert at 4:00 p.m., on Sunday, April 9. This activity is the first presented as part of the church's Campus Ministry.

Everyone is invited, and a special invitation is extended to college students and other young people. For more information, please contact Shayla Haynes, YWI Chairperson, at 354-1190.

## Abundant Life Church Easter Drama set for April 15th & 16th

Abundant Life Church of Samson will be having an Easter drama April 15th and 16th. The drama, entitled "Three Days" will be presented Saturday, April 15, 2006 at 7:00 PM and Sunday, April 16, 2006 at 10:30 AM. "Three Days" is produced by special arrangement with Contemporary Drama Service. Everyone is invited to come see how "Three Days" changed the world. Abundant Life Church is located at 414 West Washington Street in Samson, Ala. For more information or for directions please call 334-898-7788.

## Church Directory

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Even. Worship: 6:00 p.m.  
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Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.

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Harold Bannin, Pastor  
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Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.

**ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Tim Gonnelle, Minister  
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Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.  
Even. Worship: 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.

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Wed. Night: 7:00 p.m.

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Even. Worship: 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Service: 6:30 p.m.

**ELBA 1st BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Pastor: Rev. Roger Miller  
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Wed. Service: 6:30 p.m.

**ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Stanley Carter, Pastor  
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Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

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Sunday School: 1

# SCHOOLS



## Tiger Tales

Editors:  
Shawanna Wright  
& Melanie Mularz

### Dunn selected to softball hall of fame

by Tori Brooks

Mr. Johnny Dunn, principal at Elba High School, was selected to the National Softball Players Hall of Fame.

Dunn has played softball for 40 years and says it helps him stay young and competitive. He now plays for a team in Pensacola.

Mr. Dunn is married to Edna Dunn, a registered nurse, and has two daughters, Sonya McLaughlin and Teresa Ward. He has four grandchildren, Justin and Nick McLaughlin and Zack and Heather Ward.

Mr. Dunn has played eight seasons of senior softball for three different teams. In those eight seasons he played in 17 All-World teams. He has also been selected as the Most Valuable Player in four world titles.

In 2001 and 2002 he played in the Charity Games in Plano, Texas and won the "Mr. Six."

### Key Club lends a helping hand

by Christina Bryant

On March 16, students from the Elba High School Key Club Chapter took part in helping renovate the historical Folsom house.

For the past few months, Nell Gliner, secretary of the local Kiwanis Chapter, took the upkeep and renovation of the Folsom home as her own personal project. So, members of Key Club were excited to know they would be able to get a chance to



title both years. Dunn has maintained a .700 batting average and in 2003 he batted .802 for the entire season. His good friend Richard Nicodemus nominated him into the Hall of Fame.

Mr. Dunn says that he is thankful for this honor but not worthy of it.

"There are so many other players that are more deserving than I," he said.

Congratulations Mr. Johnny Dunn for this great achievement. You are truly deserving of

lend a helping hand.

While earning hours for their required community service, members present were also able to learn about the Folsom family and former Alabama Governor from 1947-1951 and 1955-1959 Joshua Marion Folsom.

When asked about the project, members said they enjoyed being able to take part in such a great event, and that hopefully others in the community will also take part in making the Folsom home look great.

### Junior Varsity baseball season comes to a close

by Stephanie Corder

The Elba High School Junior Varsity baseball season came to a close Thursday, March 16.

The team started the last week of the season with a 10-0 win over New Brooklyn. Dylan McCollough was on the mound and pitched a 3-hitter.

The offense was key, with Dylan McCollough coming through with one double and one single. Adding to the list of singles were Sandarius Reed, Justin McLaughlin, Bradley Wilson, Justin Mallory, Andrew Head, Colton Vaughn, Brock Lambert and Jantzen Flowers.

Dylan had one RBI with Justin McLaughlin and Justin Mallory adding two each.

The next game, played on the same day, was rival Zion Chapel.

Justin McLaughlin led off the game with a four hitter, and Bradley Wilson finished off the game with a two-inning no hit-ter. Sandarius Reed hit a triple



and a single. Dylan McCollough, Bradley Wilson, Justin Mallory, and Andrew Head added several singles.

Justin McLaughlin added a double. With a total of six RBI's

added by Sandarius Reed, Dylan McCollough, Bradley Wilson, Justin Mallory, Andrew Head, the JV Tigers won 8-7.

Samsom was the next opponent, and with Brock Lambert pitching a four-hitter and Kyle Pope

pitching a one-hitter, the Tigers pulled ahead of Samsom winning 15-5.

The Tigers had a total of eight singles, one double, and nine RBI's.

The final opponent was Ozark, in a double-header.

Kyle Pope pitched the first game and ended with a 2-hitter. Samsom was the next opponent, and with Brock Lambert pitching a four-hitter and Kyle Pope

son, the Tigers ended the game, 15-9. The Junior Varsity players fought long and hard, and had a total of eight singles and 14 RBI's. Justin Mallory added a triple to the list.

Although an upset, the JV Tigers ended the season 11-3.

We are all very proud of our Junior Varsity players. Congratulations on a great season!

For the last game of the sea-

### Student Spotlight

by Shawanna Wright



This week's student spotlight is one of our many seniors at Elba High School, **Lonzo Cooks**.

Lonzo is the 17-year-old son of Rita Cooks and Leslie Dixon. His clubs and activities include FCCLA, FBPA, Varsity basketball and Spanish club.

When Lonzo is not busy participating in these numerous activities, he enjoys rapping, chilling with his friends (including females), clubbing, going to church, speaking Spanish and helping people.

In the future Lonzo plans to attend college and major in business. He also says that through majoring in business he hopes to make the world a better place.

Lonzo describes himself as an intelligent and fun-loving person whom is very easy to get along with and has a close relationship with God. Lonzo is also known for being the "Ladies Man."

**YEARBOOK SALES**  
by Shawonda Whitfield

Yearbooks will be on sale April 5th -14th. This year, the books will be \$40 because of being in all color.

If you would like to place an order, please see a journalism member or Mrs. Buckelew. We will greatly appreciate your patronage!!

The upmost credit is given to the masterful greenskeeper, Mike Capps, who does an AMAZING job with the course and the overall maintenance of the Country Club.

The LBW Ensemble performs for students

by Shal Yelverton

The LBW Ensemble performed for the Elba Elementary and High Schools on March 30.

The Ensemble represents many schools including Andalusia, Kinston, Brantley, Straughn, Luverne and Red Level. These students have earned two-year scholarships by participating in any way in the Ensemble.

On Tuesday, March 14, the golfers hit the course on one of the most beautiful and calm days out of the month. The Tiger golfers came out sticking the pins and rolling that flat stick, eagerly wanting to make up for the poor scores in the previous matches.

As the golfers made the turn, it seemed as if Elba's squad would come out to be victorious, but the final nine holes

work is benefiting them.

Here at Elba, they sang several songs familiar to students, including "Sweet Home Alabama," "Because of You," and "Shout!"

The students really got involved in the performance by clapping, dancing and singing along. The entire performance was wonderful, and the group really knew how to grab the attention of the students and keep it.

We really enjoyed their performance and hope to see them again soon!



Varsity Softball players sleeping on the job!

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**Saturday, April 8th**

**9:30-11:30 a.m. • Friendship Evangelism Seminar**

**7 p.m. • Kevin Cline - The Boldness of Christ**

**Sunday, April 9th**

**9 a.m. • Ladies Class:**

**Rebekah Moon - Boldness in the Day of Judgment**

**9 a.m. • Mens Class:**

**Faires Austin - Bold Leaders in the Church and Home**

**10 a.m. • Kevin Cline and Faires Austin -**

**The Boldness of Paul**

**11 a.m. • Fellowship Meal**

**1 p.m. • David Turner - Peter's Boldness in Christ**

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# CITIZENS OF TOMORROW



Braxton, age 7, is the son of Bill and Ronda Robinson.



Matthew Dalton, age 23 months, is the son of Keith and Brandi (Harrison) Smith.



Brayton, age 5, and Kalya, age 2, are the daughters of Clay and Amy Martin.



Landra, age 3, Laikyn and Avery, both age 4 months, are the children of Landon and Jill Free.



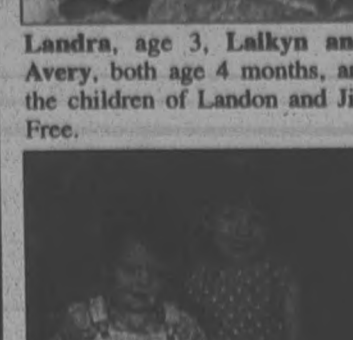
Sarah Lakin, age 9, and Nathaniel James, age 3, are the children of Giles and Angie Bryan.



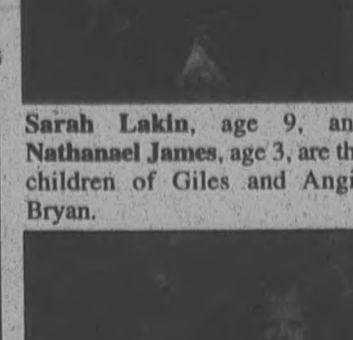
Erick, age 6, and John, age 4, are the sons of John Davis.



Emma Grace, age 4, and Will, age 3, are the children of Kevin and Teri Kelley.



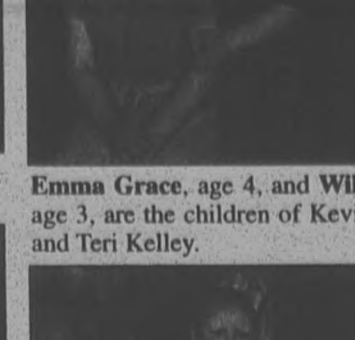
Grace, age 3, and Joseph, age 1 1/2, are the children of Joel and Anne Cline.



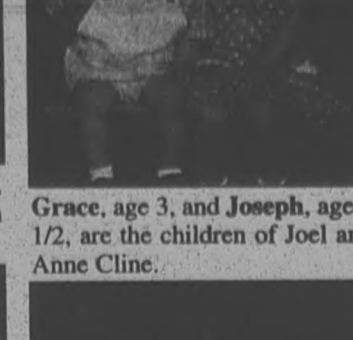
Tanner, age 6, is the son of Benji and Melissa Herrington.



Aston Conner, age 15 months, is the son of Lee and Ceretha Stricklin.



Kymbria, age 4, and Braylee, age 1, are the daughters of Brett and Chara Bimbo.



Kall, age 2, is the daughter of Kimbo and Emilee Nicholson.



Ezra, age 3 months, is the son of Eric and Emily Carney.



Preston, age 2, is the son of Jason and Marsha Farris.



Jaxon Wayne, age 1, is the son of Jamie and Misty Whitworth.



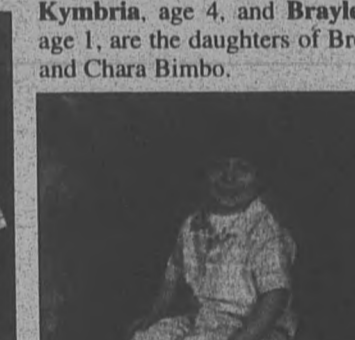
Nathan, age 4, and Ashley, age 2, are the children of Lashell Grantham.



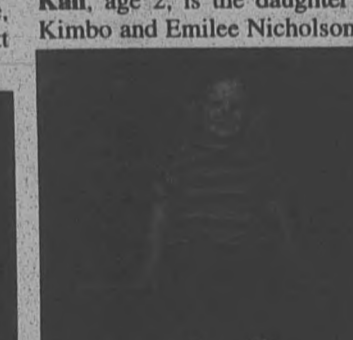
Jacob, age 9, and Tanner, age 4 1/2, are the sons of Mike and Jeana Smith.



Gabby, age 6, is the daughter of Christy Downing and Antonio Hernandez.



Evelyn Kate, age 1, is the daughter of Nathan and Heather Carroll.



Jordin, age 10, Caleb, age 6, and Madison, age 1, are the children of Chris and Michelle Jones.



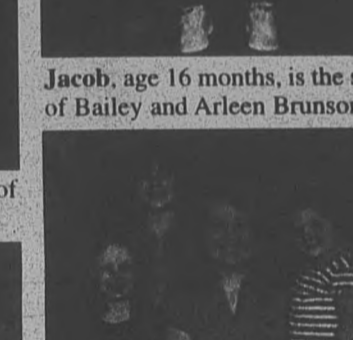
DaNeasha, age 15, and DaQuan, age 8, are the children of Bobby and Gayle Jordan.



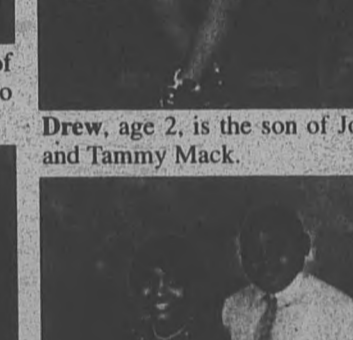
Millicent, age 6, is the daughter of Kenneth and Tracie Nolin.



Logan Davis, age 7, and Jakan Kyle, age 5, are the grandsons of Ray and Faye Kyle.



Aaron, Brooklyn and Christen, all age 6, are the children of Patrick and Julie Norris.



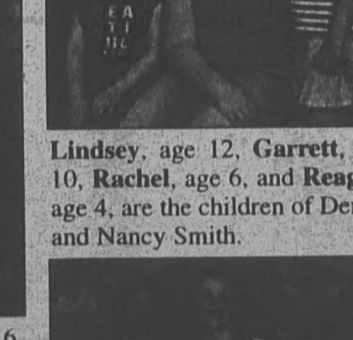
Zalie, age 6 months, is the daughter of Ashton and Valerie McKelvey.



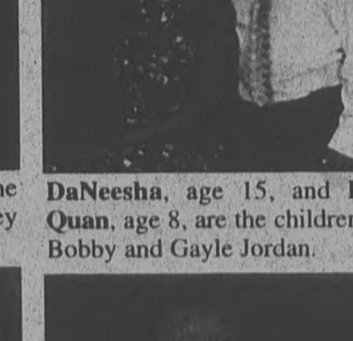
Faith, age 11 months, is the daughter of Phillip and Shey Adeock.



Dayomas, age 4, and Darius, age 3, are the sons of Carmella Rayborn.



Shelby, age 13 months, is the daughter of Chan and Lora Barbare.



Riley Simmons, age 3 months, is the son of Jerod Simmons and Ashley Bertsch.



Hunter, age 13, and Holt, age 5, are the sons of Kathy Parker and the late Tom Parker.



Edward John, age 2 months, is the son of Courtney Jinright.



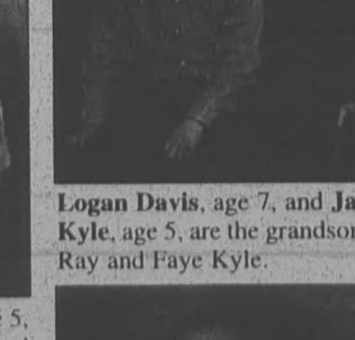
Hannah, age 10 months, is the daughter of Jeffery and Christy Wood.



Jerron, age 7, Austin, age 9, and Dalton, age 5, are the sons of Brian and Stephanie Register.



Gracie Elizabeth, age 13 months, is the daughter of Ben and Rene Wilks.



Lexie, age 2, is the daughter of Cristy Wilson and Kevin Childs.



Miranda, age 2, is the daughter of Kenneth and Susie Hughes.



Isaac, age 4, is the son of Dexter and Sylvia Watkins.



Kyle, age 7, is the son of Jennifer Byrd and Chris Byrd.



Lynsey, age 4, is the daughter of Michael and Evelyn Manning.



Blake, age 8, and Brock, age 5, are the sons of Alicia Cardwell.



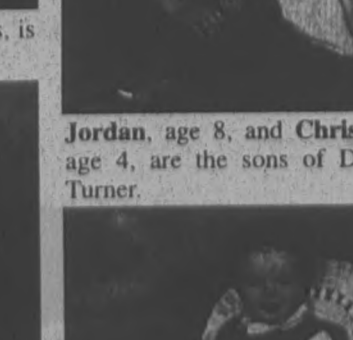
Savannah, age 7, and Austin, age 3, are the children of Tony and Brenda Kyle.



Mason, age 1, is the son of Michael and Amanda Mobley.



Jordan, age 8, and Christian, age 4, are the sons of Danny Turner.



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## SPORTS

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## The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

My baby girl attended her first prom last weekend at Elba High School, and even though I helped pick out the gown, I must say the color was beautiful and she looked like anything but my baby when she headed out the door with her date. Her transformation into a young lady was aided by the ladies at an area beauty shop that did her nails, put on her make-up and designed her special hair-do. She did look more like mine when she arrived at the breakfast in jeans and a t-shirt. However, after last weekend there is no doubt this Dad has seen another daughter grow up into a lovely young lady.

## ONCE OVER LIGHTLY...

\*\*\* The Elba Tigers saw their post-season hopes receive a major setback last week with a loss to New Brocton, but bounced back on Friday afternoon and took out their frustrations on Zion Chapel as they handed their neighbors an 12-0 spanking to take the season series with the Rebels 2-1. In the early-week loss to New Brocton, the Tigers had chances to score in almost every inning, but left the bases loaded twice and in every frame had runners on base looking to head home with a key hit that rarely ever came. That was not the case later in the week as Elba jumped on the Rebels and made it look surprisingly easy. In the win over Zion Chapel the Tigers combined key hits with outstanding defense to claim the easy win. If the Tigers can find a happy medium maybe more wins are on the way.

\*\*\* The Elba Lady Tigers posted one win and one loss last week, and now must buckle down and play their best as they swing into area play and fight to host the post-season tournament. Stephanie Baxley was her usual self on the pitching rubber as she allowed only one earned run in the two games combined and kept the games close, while the kink in the Lady Tigers' armor continued to be at the plate, where they scored only one run in 14 innings of work, not counting their three-run eighth in the win over Opp. If Elba's bats will wake up they could very well make it back to the big show in Montgomery. However, if they keep getting only two or three hits a game the Lady Tigers could lose to anybody on any given day.

\*\*\* The SEC won the NIT and moved one team into the finals of the NCAA, which should wake up some of the skeptics that have insisted all season that the conference is down. The SEC is as talented as any conference in the nation, but its week night TV contract keeps it off the major cable channels and its games on the weekends are always the lead-in games to bigger match-ups. Maybe if the conference would take part in a TV event, such as the SEC vs. the Big Ten, the other fans across the nation would discover just how good the conference really is.

\*\*\* The youth baseball and softball seasons get underway this week and once again this season the Elba teams will get the chance to travel and compete with teams from all across the area. The Elba teams in baseball will play a home-and-home schedule against teams from New Brocton, Kinston, Zion Chapel, Brantley and Samson, while the girls will take the field in softball against opposition from New Brocton, Kinston, Zion Chapel, Brantley, Samson and Enterprise. Playing teams from other towns gives the players, coaches and parents the opportunity to see how well our youngsters match-up with teams from surrounding communities, and also gives the children the chance to play on different fields and get added experience.

\*\*\* In closing.... the Alabama Sports Writers Association released its annual all-state teams last week in basketball and for some reason Coffee County got shut-out in both the boys and girls divisions. I know that no county teams made it to the region tournament, but I felt like Elba, Enterprise and New Brocton all had boys deserving of honorable mention, while Enterprise and Kinston both had girls that should have received mention.

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## Rip Rebels for second time

## Tigers ambush Zion Chapel 12-0

The Elba Tigers traveled to Zion Chapel Friday afternoon for a cross-county baseball battle and made it look surprisingly easy as they blasted the Rebels 12-0 to take the season series over their neighbors two games to one.

Elba batted first in the road game and wasted little time taking command as the Tigers pushed across seven runs in the top of the first inning to grab a quick 7-0 advantage. Don Rhoades drew a walk to open the game and moved to third when Steven Driggers followed with a single. Rhoades later scored on a sacrifice fly off the bat of Brad Sullivan, while Bradley Wilson delivered a key two-out double to drive in courtesy runner Dustin Rhoades to put the Tigers on top 2-0. Wilson raced home on an rbi single by Chase W. Boutwell, and when Boutwell scored thanks to a Rebel error, Elba's lead was up to 4-0. A walk to Sandarius Reed put two Tigers on the bases, and Dylan McCollough and Don Rhoades both came through with clutch hits as Elba ended the inning in complete command with a 7-0 lead.

The Tigers failed to reach base over the next two innings and carried the 7-0 lead into the fourth, where they added two runs to up their advantage to 9-0. A one-out double by Don Rhoades ignited the Elba uprising, while back-to-back singles by Steven Driggers and Chase E. Boutwell resulted in two Tigers crossing the plate.

## In area clash

## Gamecocks outscore Elba 10-3

The Elba Tigers hosted the New Brocton Gamecocks last Tuesday afternoon and saw their post-season hopes take a serious blow as they were outscored by the Gamecocks 10-3.

The loss dropped Elba's record to 2-8, 0-3 in area play, while New Brocton improved its record to 10-2, 1-0 in area competition. New Brocton combined three hits with an Elba error to plate three runs in the opening inning as the Gamecocks grabbed a quick 3-0 lead, with key hits being rbi doubles by Mark Windham and Stephen Hines.

The Gamecocks upped their advantage to 4-0 in the top of the fourth on a solo home-run by Adam Camell, then moved on to 8-0 in the fifth, with key hit being an rbi single by Luke Simmons and a two-run double by Tad Adams.

Elba showed signs on life in the bottom of the inning and plated two runs to cut the Gamecock advantage to 8-2. A

## In prep basketball

## ASWA announces all-state picks

The Alabama Sports Writers Association announced its 2006 "All-State" high school basketball selections last week and included on the list were a number of area players.

In the "Boys Division," Luverne's Fred Hawkins was a second team pick in Class 2A, while in Class 1A Xavier Jones of Florala, was named to the second team. Receiving honorable mention were (4A) Andalusia's Nico Johnson and Daleville's Jerry Kelley; and, (2A) Houston Academy's Sly

## Farmers reminded CRP sign-up ends April 14

Agricultural producers and landowners desiring to enroll highly erodible and other fragile cropland in the current Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) general sign-up are reminded to do so by April 14. The enrollment period began on March 27, 2006.

There is limited acreage available for enrollment, and landowners are encouraged to work with their local FSA office



Elba Tiger second-baseman Chase E. Boutwell waits to apply the tag to a Zion Chapel runner in recent high school baseball action. The Tigers defeated the Rebels 12-0 Friday afternoon for their third win of the season and their second over the Rebels.

(Laura Baxley photo)

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Elba needed one run to possibly end the game due to the ten-run rule, and got that and more in its half of the fifth as the Tigers scored three runs to take a big 12-0 advantage. A lead-off single by Chase W. Boutwell sparked the late Elba rally, while Dylan McCollough delivered a two-run double and Steven Driggers added an rbi double as the Tigers ran away and posted the 12-0 win.

Steven Driggers had 3 hits and knocked in two runs to lead Elba at the plate, while Dylan McCollough added 2 hits and 4 rbi's and Don Rhoades added 2 hits, scored 3 runs and collected 2 rbi's. Chase E. Boutwell and Chase W. Boutwell both added 2 hits and Bradley Wilson had 1 hit. Don Rhoades got the win on the mound as he pitched five innings and allowed no runs on two hits, with four strike-outs.

## High School \* Baseball \* Softball \* Golf \*

## SCHEDULE

## \*\*\* BASEBALL \*\*\*

Friday, April 7  
Elba at New Brocton (4:30)

Monday, April 10  
Elba at Opp (5:00)

## \*\*\* SOFTBALL \*\*\*

Thursday, April 6  
Elba at Samson (4:00)  
Highland Home at New Brocton (4:00)

Friday, April 7  
Kinston, in Andalusia Tournament  
New Brocton, in Andalusia Tournament

Saturday, April 8  
Kinston, in Andalusia Tournament  
New Brocton, in Andalusia Tournament

Monday, April 10  
Opp at Elba (4:00)  
Zion Chapel at New Brocton (4:30)

Tuesday, April 11  
Elba at Luverne (4:00)  
Opp at Kinston (5:00)

## \*\*\* GOLF \*\*\*

Thursday, April 6  
Andalusia at Elba, E.C.C. (1:00)

Wednesday, April 12  
Elba at Houston Academy (1:00)

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## SPORTS

## Rally in extra innings

## Lady Tigers escape Opp with exciting 4-1 win

The Elba Lady Tigers traveled to Opp last Tuesday afternoon and escaped with a hard-earned 4-1 win over the Opp Lady Bobcats.

Elba grabbed an early 1-0 lead in the top of the first inning when April Finedore reached on an error and later scored on an rbi single by Melanie Mularz, only to see the Lady Bobcats bounce back in their half of the frame and pull even at 1-1 off Elba starting pitcher Brandy Caldwell.

Opp loaded the bases in the fourth with one out against Elba relief pitcher Lindsey Carley. However, Lady Tiger ace Stephanie Baxley then entered the game and struck out the next

two batters to get Elba out of the jam.

Opp threatened again in the bottom of the seventh after a lead-off triple, but Baxley regained command and fanned the next three Lady Bobcats to send the game into extra innings with the score still knotted at 1-1.

Elba failed to get a hit in the extra inning, but took advantage of two bunts and two Opp errors to plate three runs as they pulled ahead and this time held on to claim the 4-1 win.

Melanie Mularz and Haley Stinson both had 1 hit to lead Elba at the plate, while Stephanie Baxley picked up the win in relief.

## Elba blanked in Andalusia 4-0

The Elba Lady Tigers traveled to Andalusia Thursday afternoon and surrendered four unearned runs in the fifth inning as they fell to the Lady Bulldogs 4-0, in a battle of two of the state's top-ranked teams.

The loss dropped the Lady Tigers' record to 8-4, while Andalusia upped its record to 14-7 with the win.

The two teams combined for only one hit over the initial three innings as both pitchers dominated the action. However, Elba scratched out three hits in the fourth inning, only to fail to have a runner reach the plate.

April Finedore legged out an infield hit to open the inning and moved to second base on a wild pitch, but was thrown out on a steal attempt for the second out of the frame. Melanie Mularz and Haley Stinson delivered back-to-back singles to put two runners on base, but the Lady

Tigers stranded both runners as they failed to take advantage of the three-hit inning.

The score remained tied at 0-0 until the bottom of the fifth, when Andalusia combined one hit with two Elba errors to plate four runs and moved on top 4-0. The Lady Bulldogs opened the inning with a single, then used an Elba error to put two runners on base and took advantage of a second error as they scored four runs.

Elba went down in order over the final two innings as they lost to Andalusia for the second time this season, this time by the score of 4-0.

April Finedore, Melanie Mularz and Haley Stinson all had one hit and were the only Elba hitters to reach base, while Stephanie Baxley was saddled with the loss despite allowing only two hits, no earned runs and striking out seven batters.

## High School \*\*Baseball\*\*Softball\*\* DIAMOND DUST

## \*\* BASEBALL \*\*

## Gamecocks drop area clash to Geneva County 3-2

The New Brocton Gamecocks suffered their first area loss of the season Friday afternoon when they were defeated by the Geneva County Bulldogs 3-2. Mark Windham had 2 hits and drove in two runs to lead the Gamecocks at the plate, while Nathan Foster added 2 hits and Shane Adkinson was saddled with the loss on the mound. Cade Williams pitched a complete game, struck out six batters and had 2 hits to lead the Bulldogs.

## Brantley rallies past Providence Christian 8-7

The Brantley Bulldogs rallied to score seven runs in the seventh inning Friday afternoon to post a wild 8-7 win over Providence Christian. Chase Harts secured the winning run for the Bulldogs, while Jordan Reid took the loss for Providence and added 2 hits.

## Kinston Bulldogs blast McKenzie Tigers 12-2

The Kinston Bulldogs grabbed an area win Friday afternoon by blasting the McKenzie Tigers 12-2. Matt Whigham allowed two hits and struck out five batters to get the win for the Bulldogs, while Brad Elmore and Nick Weeks had 3 hits apiece and Erick Odom, Aaron Jacobs and Gavin Free all had 2 hits.

## \*\* SOFTBALL \*\*

## Zion Chapel Lady Rebels fall hard to Arton 18-3

The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels found the going a little too tough last Monday afternoon as they dropped an 18-3 decision to the Arton Lady Cats. Lexi Phillips, Kaylee Hale and Jessica Peters all had 3 hits to lead Arton, while Ciara McClendon added a home-run and a single.

## Lady Rebel JV outscored by Arton 13-5

The Zion Chapel JV stumbled Monday as they fell to Arton 13-5. Jenna Watson had 3 hits to lead the Lady Cats, while Kayla Goodson and Whitney Dawkins both added 2 hits.

## New Brocton tripped up by Geneva County 12-2

The New Brocton Lady Gamecocks saw their victory drought continue Monday afternoon with a 12-2 loss to Geneva County. Megan Dorriety had 2 hits and 2 rbi's to lead the Lady Bulldogs, while Lequisha Stacey, Cala Thomley, Casey Greathouse and Jesse Brunson all added 1 hit.

## Zion Chapel Lady Rebels tripped up by Arton 11-1

The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels fell behind early and never really challenged Friday in an 11-1 loss to the Arton Lady Cats. Lexi Phillips was the winning pitcher and also had 3 hits to lead Arton, while Chelsea McLendon and Kaylee Hale both also added 3 hits.



Elba Lady Tiger outfielder Ashley Carpenter comes up firing after pulling in a base hit in action last week in Andalusia.

(Laura Baxley photo)

## YOUTH BASEBALL &amp; SOFTBALL SCHEDULES

## THURSDAY, APRIL 6

\* Coach-Pitch Baseball \*  
(Hawkins-Williams, Red Field)  
6:00 - Cubs vs. Orioles  
7:15 - Red Sox vs. Indians

\* Dixie Minor & Dixie Youth Baseball \*  
(In Elba)  
6:00 - NB White vs. ZC Red  
7:30 - NB White vs. ZC Red  
(In Samson)

6:00 - Samson vs. NB Red  
7:30 - Samson Gold vs. Samson Blue

## FRIDAY, APRIL 7

\* Dixie Minor & Dixie Youth Baseball \*  
(In Elba)  
6:00 - Elba Braves vs. NB White  
7:30 - Elba A's vs. NB White  
(In Zion Chapel)

6:00 - ZC Gray vs. Brantley Braves  
7:30 - ZC Gray vs. Brantley Cardinals  
(In Brantley)

6:00 - Brantley Yankees vs. Elba Cardinals  
7:30 - Brantley W. Sox vs. Elba Yankees

## SATURDAY, APRIL 8

\* Dixie Minor & Dixie Youth Baseball \*  
(In Kinston)  
2:00 - Kinston vs. Samson  
4:00 - Kinston vs. Samson Gold  
6:00 - NB Red vs. Samson Blue

\* Dixie Softball \*  
(In Kinston)  
2:00 - Kinston vs. Samson  
4:00 - Kinston Lady Dawgs vs. Samson

6:00 - Brantley vs. New Brocton  
7:45 - Elba vs. Zion Chapel

\* Dixie Softball \*  
(Hawkins-Williams, White Field)  
6:00 - Kinston vs. Brantley Bulldogs  
7:30 - ZC Red vs. Brantley (In New Brocton)  
6:00 - New Brocton vs. ZC Black

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## Uniform drive still underway for Elba Marching Tiger Band

A drive is underway to buy new uniforms for the award winning Elba Marching Tiger Band. Through the continued support of the community, the Elba Band Boosters have saved almost \$30,000 toward the uniform goal of \$45,500. This currently leaves the organization \$15,500 short of the goal. The band boosters now are asking anyone who can to purchase a uniform. A complete uniform costs \$365. With the purchase of a complete uniform, a donor label will be placed inside the jacket. A complete list of donors will be included in the 2006 football program. All donations are tax deductible and can be made at several locations including Elba High School, The Peoples Bank and Wachovia Bank. Donations may be mailed to Elba High School, 371 Tiger Drive, Elba, AL 36323. Checks should be made payable to Elba High School and noted Band Uniform Account.

## TAKING THE TRAIN

by Linda M. Hodge

### Chapter Two

He didn't want to pry, but Carl was intrigued by the conversation with Megan. The more she talked, the more he began to realize this wasn't just a train ride for Megan. There had to be something more. She never actually said anything to indicate it, but Carl had this feeling his new friend was carrying some sort of burden.

"You said you normally would not have chosen to take this train ride. If you don't mind my asking, what changed your mind?"

He wasn't sure if Megan wanted to talk about the reason behind her trip, but he wanted her to know he was there for her if she did. He learned long ago that sometimes it's better to be the listener rather than the talker. If his hunch was right, a good listener might be just what the doctor ordered for Megan.

"It was more of a who changed my mind," Megan answered. "Something my mother said a few days ago got me to thinking. One thing led to another and here I am."

"Lucky for me," Carl said. "And, now that it's still good to listen to what your mother says."

"It's funny you should say that," Carl Megan had not planned on discussing

her life. When she took her seat on this train, for some reason, she felt comfortable talking to Carl. He genuinely seemed interested. A trait not many people seemed to possess these days.

Earlier, you caught me thinking the same thing. It really is good to listen to what your mother says. I only wish I had always believed that. Take most children, though, I went through those stages in life where I didn't want to believe or listen to anything the best to say. Now I hope I've listened enough."

"I think that's a natural reaction."

"I used to think I could prove that old adage wrong."

"What old saying?"

"The older you get, the more you realize how smart your mother is and that she really does know best. I didn't want to know best. I wanted to prove that I didn't need anyone telling me how to handle things. I could do it on my own without her help."

Megan had finally opened up to the train. Despite her many attempts to prove it wrong through the years, her mother always had her best interests at heart. The two of them had clashed more than most in her life, but Megan now realized this was all part of her growing process.

"Sounds like a pretty normal mother/daughter relationship to me," Carl spoke up. "I remember when Jennie was

growing up there were times I thought she and her mother were going to tear one another apart one minute and before I knew it they were hugging and crying on a united front. I always figured it was some weird female bonding process that we guys would never understand. And, you know, I still don't get it!"

Megan couldn't help but smile at Carl's observation. It sounded just like something her dad would say.

"That's kind of what led me to this train."

"How do you mean?"

"There are a lot of things going on right now that seem to be out of my control, and that's hard for me to accept. I like to be in control and know that I can handle any and every situation. All of a sudden, I find myself in a situation where I can't. A few days ago, I was sitting with my mother, and she said something that really hit home. I decided this trip would be the best way for me to take a step back and think about things. Hopefully, I will figure out what I need to do and why."

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CHAPTER THREE: Carl's Love for Trains

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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sible transportation for that center and many others as well.

The buildings are state required to be wheelchair accessible, but you would think that providing transportation for senior citizens, they would have wheelchair accessible transportation also. Mr. Wilson told me that providing transportation for the seniors was just a "perk" from the county.

If I am not mistaken it is our tax dollars that they used to pay for these things they call "perks". I find it sad to know that a facility that is supposed to be for our elderly who are all at high risk for falling, is not equipped with employees to handle the people who would like to attend the center. Also it is to our understanding that Zion Chapel is getting a new building which would hold more seniors, if they turn people away because of their disabilities; why do they need to spend our tax dollars on a new building. You would think they could afford a lift for wheelchairs.

We have a lot of elderly people in our community that can benefit from well staffed and operated centers. Also there is a meal on wheels program that the centers are suppose to deliver meals to the elderly or shut in who are unable to attend the center, since my husband's grandmother has been kicked out of the center, no one from the center has even made a phone call to check on her much less bring her a meal.

Being told she cannot come back to the center has really made a difference in her attitude on everyday life. I am truly

unsure if she would ever go back to that center after being humiliated in front of her peers like she was. I believe she is owed an apology from Mrs. Millette and Mrs. Linda Westbrook who is commissioner for that center as well as Mr. Wilson Mobley county administrator.

Her health is declining at a faster pace than before and we truly believe it is because she feels as though she has nothing to look forward to doing in her life.

I really hope that someone who reads this letter finds this important enough to help us help others like our grandmother. Everyone should realize that we too one day will be senior citizens and have disabilities just as people do today. We want the county to provide correct transportation for those who can attend and enjoy their peers at the centers.

Stephen and Pamela Berry  
Jack, Alabama

EXPRESS YOUR  
VIEWS  
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TO THE EDITOR

TINDOL —  
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jail that the citizens of Coffee County can take pride in and that will be respected statewide. He pledges to improve county jail operations by eliminating the presence of illegal contraband and drugs inside the jail. He also plans to revise the current work release program in order to eliminate the possibility of inmates committing crimes while incarcerated.

Tindol said he is committed to partner with other local law enforcement and state agencies to continue the fight against illegal drugs in Coffee County. He is also committed to developing standard operating policy and procedure for the sheriff's department which will outline specific duties expected of each employee of the sheriff's department.

"Each employee will be more motivated to perform his or her job if they are aware of the performance that is expected from them," said Tindol. "I also plan to develop strict policies and procedures for the handling of evidence."

Tindol said he is committed to improve the service of civil papers and subpoenas in a timely fashion. Improving this service will enable the court system to run more smoothly.

He is also committed to developing a relationship with each county commissioner. He feels that a strong partnership between the sheriff's department and the county commission is necessary to help the sheriff's department prosper and grow.

"I pledge to attend all meetings of the Coffee County Commission," he said. "The sheriff's department and county jail cannot function properly without the involvement of the county commission."

Tindol further said a strong relationship with the county commission will enable the department to obtain the necessary equipment and personnel in order for the sheriff's department to adapt to the current growth that Coffee County is experiencing.

"I ask for your support and vote on June 6," Tindol said. "If elected Sheriff, I pledge to put my experience and dedication to the future of Coffee County to work to create a sheriff's department and county jail that all citizens of Coffee County can take pride in and that will be respected statewide."

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The Inspirations of North Carolina will entertain the crowd during this year's meeting. The group has been named America's Favorite Gospel Group six times and Favorite Male Quartet in 2005. Some of their classic songs include "Jesus Is Coming Soon" and "I'll Not Turn My Back On Him Now."

A local group, Fresh Anointing of Andalusia, will also entertain at the CEC Annual Meeting.

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COVINGTON ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE  
ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Andalusia Kiwanis Community Center

Registration — 3 p.m.

Entertainment — 5:30 p.m.

Business Session — 7 p.m.



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The mock accident presented by emergency personnel grabbed the attention of Elba High School juniors and seniors.

Mock Accident  
Message:  
Don't Drink  
and Drive!

ELBA POLICE OFFICERS Dean Blair and John Nelson console the driver of the vehicle hit by a drunk driver in last Wednesday's mock accident at Elba High School. Firefighter Wesley DeVane informs officers that a passenger in the vehicle has died. Superintendent Danny Weeks is shown in the background watching the demonstration presented to Elba High juniors and seniors.



The accident scene portrayed in the mock demonstration shows personnel assessing the situation.



The drunk driver portrayed in the mock accident is placed under arrest by Officer Brian Lusher.

Emergency personnel remove a victim from the vehicle during the mock accident demonstration. The audience of students witnessed the handling of injuries, death and an arrest as results of an accident caused by drunk driving.



The realistic demonstration even showed emergency personnel load deceased victims into a hearse.



At the end of the demonstration, Coffee County Coroner Marvin McIlwain asked students to think about what they just witnessed.

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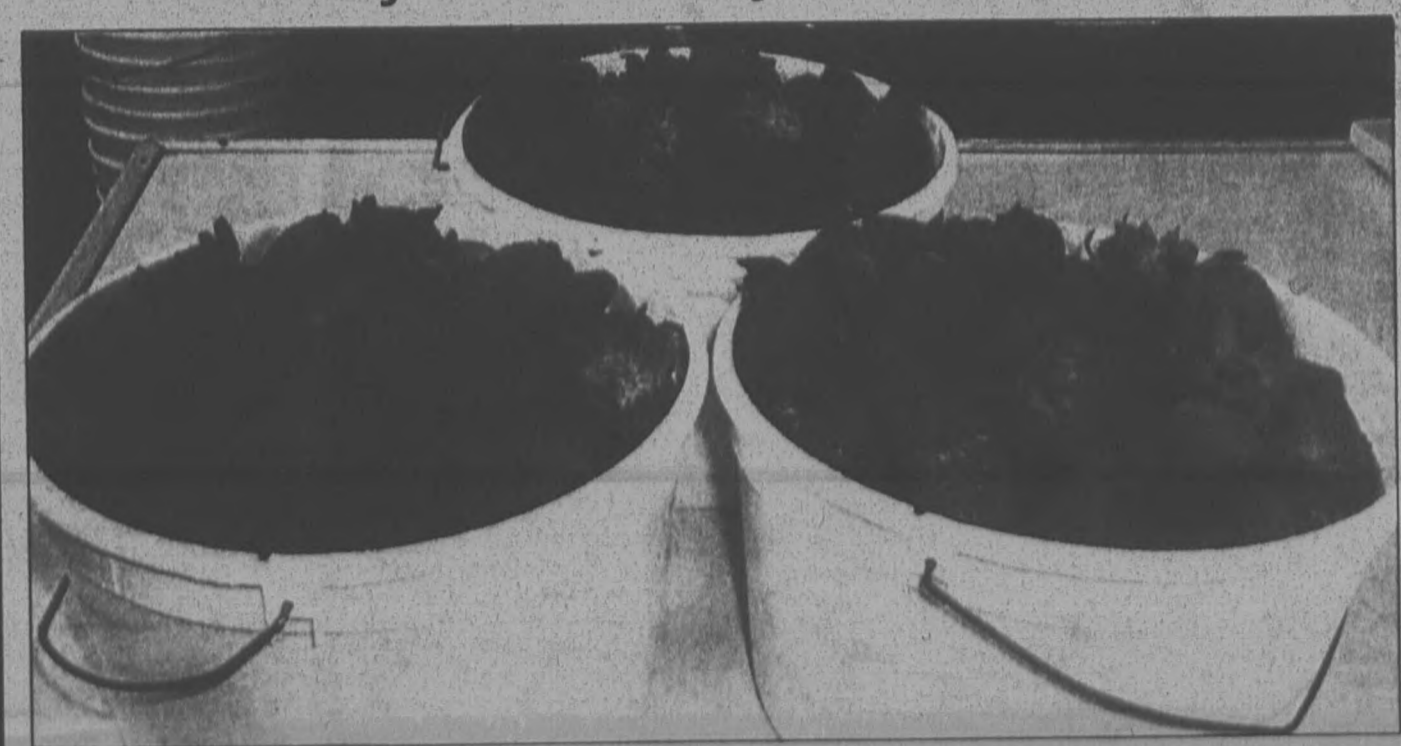
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